GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4605
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TRAINING OF PDS PERSONNEL
Murmu Shri Hemlal

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme to provide training and research facilities for strengthening and upgrading the skills of personnel engaged in implementation of the Public Distribution System (PDS);

(b) if so, whether the Government has provided financial assistance to the States, particularly Jharkhand under the said scheme; and

(c) if so, the details of the assistance provided to various States during 2005-06, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a): Yes, Sir. Department of Food & Public Distribution is providing financial assistance to States/UTs under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme `TRAINING, RESEARCH & MONITORING` (TRM) for strengthening Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) in States/UTs.

(b): No financial assistance was provided to Jharkhand as no proposal was received from the State Government for providing financial assistance under the said Scheme.

(c): Details of assistance provided to States/UTs under the said Scheme during the financial year 2005-06 is annexed.